(b) if so what are the steps contemplated to redress the same?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY. OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) and The information is being collected'and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha

Bauxite Mining project of the Bharat Aluminium company at Ganduainardhaii hill in Orissa-

1.265. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPEN-' . DRA: WiU the Minister of STEEL AND MINES hfl pieased to state:

(a) wEettter . i . project of the Bharat Aluminium Company at Ganiibamardhan Hill in Orissa is in trouble .due to the attitude of the Orissa Govern merii; and

. (b) if so the jiction taken by Government to end the controversy and to settle matters with the State Government?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI MAKHAN LAL FOTE-DAR) (a) No Sir.

(b) The work on the Project has been held up due. to local agitation since Decem ber 1985. On the suggestion of the Govt, of Orissa, an expert committee headed by Dr. B. D. Nagchoudfauri was appointed by the Govt, of India. After an in-depth study of the impact of the proposed develomenL of Gandhainardhan Bauxite Project on ecology and environment of tfye area, the expert committee, *inter alia* re commended that the "bauxite mines in Gandhamardhan Hills be opened with as little de lay as -possible." The Commitee al so recommended to set up an Environmen tal Management Authority (E.M.A.) to en sure proper environmental protection mea sures The EM.A. has been set up and it has met on three occasions. There is no controversy involving the State Govt. vis-a-vis the execution of the Project. Eff-forts are being made to resume work on the Project with the co-operation of the State Government.

Unauthorised use of scarce Newsprint

1266. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MAL-AVIYA: Will the .Minister of, INFORMA TION. AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

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(b) if so, the jf the outcome of !gation$_s$ and the steps taken tc pre vent suph frai

THE Ml OF PARLIAMEN-TARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT): (a) During' a'check of circulation, some, instances of loan of newsprint by one publication of the Group to another have come to the notice. oT the Govexnment.

(c) Appropriate action as per rules is being considered.

Exploitation of women workers in unorganised sector

1267. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPEN-DRA: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether women in the un-organised sector are being exploited mostly, with maximum work being extracted from them with minimum wages; and

(b) if so, what steps have been taken by Government ensure fair wages to these women workers?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI BINDESHWARI DUBEYJ: (a) and "(b) The Minimum Wages Act, 1948 (MWA) and th$_e$ Equal Remuneration Act, 1976 (ERA), apply to employments in the unorganised sector as well. While the MWA provides for the fixation and payment of minimum wages in scheduled employments, the ERA provides for the payment of equal wages to men and women for the same work or work of a